

Executive Order 13184 of December 28, 2000**Revocation of Executive Order 12834**

By the authority vested in me as President of the United States by the Constitution and laws of the United States of America, including section 301 of title 3, United States Code, and sections 3301 and 7301 of title 5, United States Code, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Executive Order 12834 of January 20, 1993, "Ethics Commitments by Executive Branch Appointees," is hereby revoked, effective at noon January 20, 2001. Employees and former employees subject to the commitments in Executive Order 12834 will not be subject to those commitments after the effective date of this order.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON

THE WHITE HOUSE,
December 28, 2000.

Executive Order 13185 of December 28, 2000**To Strengthen the Federal Government-University Research Partnership**

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, and in order to keep the Federal Government-University research partnership strong, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1. *Principles of the Government-University Partnership.* The partnership in science and technology that has evolved between the Federal Government and American universities has yielded benefits that are vital to each. It continues to prove exceptionally productive, successfully promoting the discovery of knowledge, stimulating technological innovation, improving the quality of life, educating and training the next generation of scientists and engineers, and contributing to America's economic prosperity and national security. In order to reaffirm and strengthen this partnership, this order sets forth the following guiding and operating principles that are fully described in the April 1999 National Science and Technology Council report, "Renewing the Government-University Partnership." These principles shall provide the framework for the development and analysis of all future Federal policies, rules, and regulations for the Federal Government-University research partnership.

(a) The guiding principles that shall govern interactions between the Federal Government and universities that perform research are:

- (1) Research is an investment in the future;
- (2) The integration of research and education is vital;
- (3) Excellence is promoted when investments are guided by merit review; and
- (4) Research must be conducted with integrity.

(b) The operating principles that shall assist agencies, universities, individual researchers, and auditing and regulatory bodies in implementing the guiding principles are:

- (1) Agency cost-sharing policies and practices must be transparent;
- (2) Partners should respect the merit review process;
- (3) Agencies and universities should manage research in a cost-efficient manner;
- (4) Accountability and accounting are not the same;
- (5) The benefits of simplicity in policies and practices should be weighed against the costs;
- (6) Change should be justified by need and the process made transparent.

(c) Each executive branch department or agency that supports research at universities shall regularly review its existing policies and procedures to ensure that they meet the spirit and intent of the guiding and operating principles stated above.

Sec. 2. *Office of Science and Technology (OSTP) Review of the Government-University Research Partnership.* (a) The OSTP, in conjunction with the National Science and Technology Council, shall conduct a regular review of the Government-University research partnership and prepare a report on the status of the partnership. The OSTP should receive input from all departments or agencies that have a major impact on the Government-University partnership through their support of research and education, policy making, regulatory activities, and research administration. In addition, OSTP may seek the input of the National Science Board and the President's Committee of Advisors for Science and Technology, as well as other stakeholders, such as State and local governments, industry, the National Academy of Sciences, and the Federal Demonstration Partnership.

(b) The purpose of the review and the report is to determine the overall health of the Government-University research partnership, being mindful of the guiding and operating principles stated above. The report should include recommendations on how to improve the Government- University partnership.

(c) The Director of OSTP shall deliver the report to the President.

Sec. 3. *Judicial Review.* This order does not create any enforceable rights against the United States, its agencies, its officers, or any person.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON

THE WHITE HOUSE,
December 28, 2000.

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Memorandum of January 5, 2000

**Delegation of Authority Under Sections 1402 and 1406 of the
National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000
(Public Law 106–65)**

Memorandum for the Secretary of Defense

By the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the United States, including section 301 of title 3, United States Code, I hereby delegate to the Secretary of Defense the duties and responsibilities vested in the President by sections 1402 and 1406 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000 (“the Act”) (Public Law 106–65).

The Department of Defense shall prepare the report required by section 1402 of the Act with the assistance of the Department of State, the Department of Commerce, the Department of Energy, the Department of the Treasury, the Director of Central Intelligence, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The Department of Defense shall obtain concurrence on the report from the following agencies: the Department of State, the Department of Commerce, the Director of Central Intelligence on behalf of the Intelligence Community, the Department of the Treasury, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation prior to submission to the Congress.